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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : Actions of

: Actions of Interest to the Office of the Director

REFERENCE

: Memo for all DD/S Elements, dated 25 November

1963, subject as above.

1. There are five items of special interest within the meaning of the reference for which this Office has the Action or is directly concerned. These items, their current status, estimated date of completion, and action remaining to be taken are as follows:

a. The Communications Program of the Central Intelligence Agency.

In response to the Director's memorandum to the DDCI, dated 14 November 1963, you and I forwarded to the DCI, memorandum dated 25 November 1963, DD/S 63-5007, in which the Agency's communications program was identified and the total number of funds and personnel programmed for the Fiscal years 1963, 1964 and 1965 was listed. The cost of the program for CIA requirements and the cost of providing communications services to other agencies were indicated for these Fiscal years. This particular action now requires a decision on the part of the Director to determine the direction of the Agency's communications program for the current and next Fiscal years.

Action on our part is considered to be completed until such time as the Director makes a decision or requests further information.

b. Near Term Plan for the National Communications System

On 22 November 1963, OC-1987 was forwarded through your Office to the Executive Director, outlining General Starbird's Near Term plan for the National Communications System. Attached to the memorandum was a proposed letter from Mr. McCone to Secretary of Defense McNamara in which Mr. McCone indicated concurrence



in principle with the objectives of General Starbird's Near Term plan. The proposed letter pointed out that budgetary limitations would of necessity modify the degree of Agency participlation in the plan.

The degree of Agency participation in this Near Term plan is dependent upon the Director's decision with respect to subparagraph 25X1 a above.